

APPEAL NO. 021829
FILED AUGUST 14, 2002

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on June 18, 2002. The hearing officer determined that the appellant's (claimant) _____, compensable injury does not extend to and include an abdominal hernia. The claimant appealed and the respondent (carrier) responded, urging affirmance.

DECISION

Affirmed.

The hearing officer did not err in determining that the claimant's _____, compensable injury does not extend to and include an abdominal hernia. The issue of extent of injury presented a question of fact for the hearing officer to resolve. The hearing officer is the sole judge of the weight and credibility to be given to the evidence. Section 410.165(a). There was conflicting evidence presented on the disputed issue and the hearing officer resolved the conflicts against the claimant. The decision should not be set aside because different inferences and conclusions may be drawn upon review, even when the record contains evidence that would lend itself to different inferences. Garza v. Commercial Insurance Company of Newark, New Jersey, 508 S.W.2d 701 (Tex. Civ. App.-Amarillo 1974, no writ).

The hearing officer's decision and order are affirmed.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **LIBERTY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CT CORPORATION SYSTEMS
350 NORTH ST. PAUL, SUITE 2900
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201.**

Daniel R. Barry
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Philip F. O'Neill
Appeals Judge

Robert W. Potts
Appeals Judge